Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St., SW, Room TW-A325
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: CC Docket No. 02-6

The E-rate program is designed to support the delivery of telecommunications and internet access, at an affordable rate to our nation's schools and libraries. Umatilla-Morrow Education Service District located in rural Eastern Oregon, has participated in the Schools and Libraries Program of the Universal Service Fund (E-Rate) since the program's inception in 1996.   Umatilla-Morrow ESD and its consortium members, rely heavily on the E-rate program to aid in delivering technology to our classrooms!

This letter is to comment on a petition filed with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) by Funds for Learning.

On January 24, 2011 the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) recommended to the FCC that the Funding Year 2010 Priority Two discount level be set at 81%. Funds for Learning, Inc. has filed a petition with the Commission to reject USAC's recommendation to deny funding requests at the 80% discount level for Priority Two services.

Considering the history of when USAC determines a threshold for Priority Two requests, it has become evident that to make a decision at this time is uncommonly early. USAC has established that they have funds readily available to grant those applicants with 81% discount levels and higher, funding for Priority Two requests. It is our understanding that an *additional* $400 million in unused funds are available for further requests. The question is if they still have funding available, why are they cutting those applicants off at the 80% discount level?

We depend on USAC to serve as an advocate on our behalf, and we feel that to determine a funding threshold for the 2010 funding year at the present time, is unwarranted.

We respectfully request that the Federal Communications Commission decline USAC's recommendation to set a threshold at this time.

Sincerely,

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